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South Hardwick, July 29, 1881. 2, E. B. GUYER, Sec.

Miscellany.

From the Christian Messenger. Army Reform.

We published in our issue of last week, the general order of Gen. McClellan to the soldiers for the better observance of the Sabbath. We are confident that this order has been read with gratitude in all the loyal States. Many praying hearts have been made sad by the desceration of the Subbath in our army, and especially by the notorious disaster which Rebels at Bull run. Every enlightened conscience takes the side of the Christian Sabbath, and all men know that trifling with saas our armies were outraging the moral sentiment of the country and of Christendom, by making the Lord's day the special season for marchings, parades, and battles, the hope of success was dying out of the heart of thoughtful men, and a sense of shame mantled many a loyal face. All this is instantly changed. The heroic young General, toward whom so many millions turn, as, under God, the hope of our country, has spoken the word for which the country waited, and which wipes out our reproach, and reassures our faith .-And it is attered with a heartiness suited to kindle the enthusiasm of Christian citizens, kindle the enthusiasm of Christian citizens, and to endear the name of McClellan to all the people. Methodism has the honor of ranks of military service.

Under this arrangement for the observance of the Sabbath, Christian men will the more cheerfully enlist in the army. One serious friends have been reluctant to subject young men of good moral character to the ordeal of within their own encampments, whatever may be their peril from hostile bullets.

On every ground, we regard this radical army reform as one of the most important and wide-reaching of the events of the war, It will furnish an element of thanksgiving for the day of national humiliation just at hand. the Lord's day throughout the nation. It to him in the spirit of penitent obedience.

Chaplain Haney's Remarks to his Conference.

At the recent session of the Illinois Conference the presiding elders reported general prosperity among the districts. Rev. Richard Haney, who had been absent from his post on chaplain duties in the army, addressed the Conference.

ern Advocate, to represent his district, all shire. Mr. Porter is the Commissioner for whispering ceased. He said he now stood Massachusetts to attend to the same business who is an excellent and practical musician. before them in a different relation from that in this State, and has conducted the business The Band were furnished with a beautiful of the past. He had received twenty-seven so as to secure the approval of the friends of banner, presented and borne by B. F. Aiken, appointments from the Church, and had filled the Prohibitory Law, and of the agents in the containing the latin phrase, Laus Deo :them as best he could. Fifteen years, with various towns. He takes the utmost care to praise to God-and was handsomely trimmed only a break of two years, he had done dis- have only the purest articles, suitable for with flowers and overgreen. The day was three quarters of the year, when he was the strict provision of the law. We see no two thousand or more people, returned to the called into the service of the country as reason why New Hampshire might not avail village, not one could be found unwilling to chaplain of the Sixteenth Regiment Illineis itself of his services, and we think the of his brethren of the district and the con- State, will be grateful to Governor Berry sent of Bishop Baker. He had been in for his judicious appointment. Missouri. Had full faith for the triumph of our cause in that State, though secession villainy had made it the battle-ground of the Southwest.

men and churches favorable to treason were rapidly passing. Reorganization had begun. There is such a sympathy with us now as never was before. Instead of our men coming from Missouri, we should prepare to send them reinforcements. Not one of our members or preachers has been found among

his fellows in camp; and rebel marksmen have no sympathy for a chaplain, but would as

soon shoot him as any other man, and rather, if they knew him to be a Methodist preacher. He should be in peril-would his old Illinois friends remember him in their prayers and

sympathies? · For him he knew no official promotion .--When a man has served twenty-seven years er attitude of the Government is that of hosin company with these men as a pastor in our Church, there is no higher position in this world. He said : 'We have been together at our altars, in our sorrows and joys, our and support of foreign governments. The conflicts and victories. You will remain here, I will die in the fight ; but, brethren, whether my place shall be in the weary march, preaching the Gospel to my fellow-soldiers, caring followed from the Sabbath attack upon the for the wounded, or burying the dead, who, which the English people look, in order to dying, wish, next to the sight of the Saviour, decide how far they can sympathize with us. to see the stars and sripes, I am yet one of you. If I fall, whether by disease or before the death-winged bullet. I want to say to you cred time is mean and dangerous. So long that your brother will cross at the upper ford! This rebellion is no childs play; to suppress it will demand blood and suffering. We must not flinch, but go straight forward to the end.'

From the Christan Messenger.

LAY REPRESENTATION-The Pittsburgh Advocate calls attention to the coming vote on Lay Representation. It remarks that-The vote will inaugurate a new era in Methodism. In no former period has a ques-

tion of the kind been put to vote throughout our societies. The step is a novel and yet a very commendable one. We lead the other great denominations in the democracy of the of hope but so little expected. If true, it movement. None others we believe have is the beginning of the end, the dawn of a initiating the movement.

' The question soon to be submitted to the laity will also be brought before the ministry in the Annual Conferences of 1862. Opportunity will thus be given to compare obstacle to enlistments has been the demoral- notes, and see whether the ministry or laity ized condition of the troops. Parents and is most tinetured with the spirit of lay representation. We confess that we shall wait with some impatience the statisties for making the comparison. It will help to settle camp-life, so long as that life was understood a matter long differently regarded by differto be Sabbathless, and of course immoral, ent classes. 'The ministry has brought But, with a new and botter regime, under about all innovations in our Church polity, such considerate and humane commanders as Gen. McClellan, and with the discipline he class of progressives, 'has retarded all needhas inaugurated. Christian parents will give ed improvements in our Church polity. their sons for the army with some hope that Both parties cannot be right. It would be they will not be ruined for time and eternity amusing to find both wrong. And this will not be far from the fact should the ministry and membership in about equal proportions favor lay representation.'

Zions Hera'd says:

the carliest to secure anything like a fair representation of the laity in their bodies, by were entertained by remarks by Rev. A a system just as liberal as could possibly be Hayward, I. McAnn, and H. K. Cobb., a engrafted on the present Discipline. We Sentiment by Rev. W. E. McAllister : The It will give new impulse to the observance of hope that the lay members in this part of the Ladies of Topsham, true in heart, surpassed country will not be behind their brethren in by none in ability, may their supplies be ever will furnish grounds of hope that God will speaking their mind now upon this subject. abundant, and their hearts untarnished with return to us with blessing, as we seek to turn Many of the Conferences have specified the the principles of Secession. day on which the election shall be held, but none of the Conferences in New England | for the able manner in which he addressed have done so, except the Vermont Confer- the audience, especially the children, divertence, which has ordered the ministers to pre- ing them and gaining their attention by the sent the subject to their congregations some illustration of the Kite flying in the air, intime in the mont of September.

says:

"His Excellency, Governor Berry, of New Hampshire, has appointed Hon. E. F. Porter, of Boston, Agent for the sale of Li-When he began says the North West- quors to the Town Agents in New Hamptrict work. He had gone on as usual for medical purposes, and sold only according to pleasant, and as the procession, composed of Volunteers. Had accepted after the advice friends of Temperance particularly, in that

The public have been greatly defrauded by agents for the sale of liquors which were not reliable. We have before learned from good 'He had also hope for Methodism. For authority that E. F. Porter, of Boston, is the first time in many years Methodist just the man for his business, and worthy of for him to go, withheld her consent; but finalpreachers are in Missouri. The days for the patronage of the friends of Temperance. ly, after much persuasion, said she would

FAITH AND WORKS-Dr. William A. Smith, the leaves of the closed Bible, and the lan-President of Randolph Macon College, whom we have before mentioned as being a chaplain in the rebel army, was the first Southtraitors. The people are turning toward us. ern writer of note, who endeavored to prove · He would go from his brethren uncertain that slavery is a righteous institution, and to see them again. He should share the lot of the normal-hence the most beneficent-condition of the colored race.

The War and Slavery.

Slavery has much to do with the present war upon our Government, and there is no reason why this fact should be concealed .-Under existing circumstances, the only proptility to Slavery. This is the only consistent course, and one that will meet the respect London Watchman shows how the bearing of our war on Slavery affects the English mind. That, in fact, is the capital point to The Watchman, referring to the 'Confiscation' Act of Congress, says :-

. As yet we have no reliable account of this measure, but it has been described as containing a clause to the effect that . Whenever, during the present insurrection, any person held to service or labor'-that is, any slave- shall be employed in military or naval service, cutrenchments, etc., the person to whom such labor or service is due shall forfeit his claim to the same.' But, if the master forfeit his claim to the labor of the slave. who else can have any claim; and is not the bondman free? Such a clause must produce intense excitement in those Border States. which are not lost to the Union, and must strike terror into the Planting States. We wait for confirmation of an enactment so full great troubled day, which at eventide will be light. It is the signal of Emancipation.

Sabbath School Festival.

The Sabbath-School festival was held at Topsham, August 28th, agreeable to notice. and was all, if not more, than was anticipated by any of our citizens.

It was ably managed by J. P. Tabor. President, Hon. R. M. Bill, Marshal, R. Forsyth and John Miles, Vice Presidents .--The Schools from abroad were met by the President and Vice Presidents of the day. attended by the Topsham Cornet Band, at the Four Corners, so called, and escorted to Grove, a beautiful place about one fourth mile from the village.

The order of exercises were, Singing by the children, (Greeting) conducted by Rev Caleb Taplin; Prayer by Rev. H. K. Cobb, Table Services, by Rev. R. F. Goodwin: Refreshments; Intermission of twenty minutes; Music by the Band, after which the . The Conferences in New England were audience returned to the seats, each School bearing their respective banners. We then

Much praise is due to the Rev. I. McAnn. forming them the kite must be kept and governed in the air by guiding the string to A Good Appointment .- Zion's Horald which it must be attached; when the string is broken or let out too fast, the kite falls and is destroyed. He then informed them they were to be governed and guided by their parents and teachers, who would learn them to become wise, good, and virtuous.

The Band done honor to themselves under respond to the sentiment on the banner which led them, viz. : Praise to God.

JOSIAH PAUL. Sec.

A NOVEL MODE TO DETERMINE DUTY -The Newport, (R. I.) News tells a story of a young man who had enlisted, and who went to his mother, a widow, with his certificate. for her signature. She, not being willing agree upon one condition-that her son should thrust his finger at random through guage of the text upon which it rested should decide her action in the matter. He did as she requested, and his finger where the Bible was opened, was found resting over the 16th and 17th verses of the 20th chapter of II Chronicles. The tenor of the verses (which the reader will please turn up) was such as to induce the mother to consent to her souls enlistment.